

Summer Transportation Camp at PSU

Call for Residential Camp Counselors!

Since 2016 **Portland State University's Transportation Research and Education Center (TREC)** has hosted a Summer Transportation Camp for High Schoolers. This Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) and transportation focused program includes learning from guest speakers, field trips, and small group projects. The 2023 program will be a week-long overnight camp on the PSU campus and will include field tours around the Portland area. Learn about the camps: <https://trec.pdx.edu/summer-high-school-camp>

Residential Counselors provide supervision for campers and ensure their safety and well-being. RCs supervise campers during meals, free time, special events, and field trips. Counselors are expected to serve as leaders, boundary setters, and role models throughout the program, including during class time. Counselors are available to the campers and staff 24 hours per day during the camp session (Counselors will have limited "off" hours during the week). During the day when campers are in class, counselors will assist in the classroom and be of general assistance to the other program directors and instructors. All counselors will be in residence on the PSU campus for the duration of the Institute.

This is a paid position, and Residential Counselors will receive a salary of \$1,120 (plus housing, meals, field tours, and activities) working roughly 60 hours during the week of Aug 6-11, 2023. The nature of this position involves a significant amount of walking and other physical activity.

The Schedule:

Full days working with the high school students and providing overnight support from Aug 6-11, 2023. Tentative daily schedule:

- 9:00am - 4:00pm: Camp classroom and field trip activities
- 6:00pm - 9:00pm: After-hours team-building programming

Responsibilities:

As a Residential Counselor you will:

- Plan, prepare, and lead STEM activities for high school students.
- Stay overnight on the PSU campus (residential housing is provided) and provide students with any needed support.
- Establish good relationships with students by initiating conversations, activities, and check-ins. Be a positive role model for students.
- Promote a sense of community by teaching and modeling cooperation, respect, and responsibility in the residential living environment; encouraging students to interact with one another and creating opportunities for them to do so.
- Encourage and support the students' academic interests.
- Facilitate problem solving through active listening, guidance, and conflict mediation.

- Seek assistance when needed from colleagues and supervisors.

Minimum Qualifications to apply:

- At least 18+ years old;
- Have completed at least one year of college/university;
- Can successfully pass a background check.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Previous camp counselor or residential advisor experience
- Interest/majoring in a STEM field
- Experience working with a team of people in youth-serving organization
- Experience planning and leading recreational activities for high school-aged youth

APPLY BY June 30, 2023

Email your application (cover letter, resume and professional references) in one document to **asktrec@pdx.edu**. The subject line must state your first and last name followed by “Summer Transportation Camp Residential Counselor”.



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